



ADDENDUM

CITY OF CALIFORNIA CITY SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY FOR THE CALIFORNIA CITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND THE CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday October 24, 2017

CLOSED SESSION / CITY COUNCIL

CS 1. Pursuant to Government Code §54957

Public Employment

Title: City Manager

CONTINUED BUSINESS

CB 1. Medical Marijuana Cultivation and Distribution Cap – City Manager

Recommendation

Council review and direct staff to draft an ordinance to revise our municipal code to remove any artificial cap on the ability to issue cultivation and distribution permits.

The following items were added to the City Council agenda after publishing and posting, but more than 24 hours before the meeting.

City Council

Meeting Date: October 24th, 2017

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: City Manager

Subject: Medical Marijuana Cultivation & Distribution Caps

Background:

Council has previously authorized up to 200 cultivation and 40 distribution permits to be issued. To date all have been applied for. However out of the first two rounds only 69 out of 130 have moved forward with their Staff Development Review. In many cases the high cost of development in many of our M1 and M2 areas are driving this inability to perform along with the lack of sufficient utilities. Currently there are 70 applications on the waiting list and more are calling every day as dissatisfaction with the indecision in LA mounts as growers seek to diversify their operations to other communities. Staff believes that the artificial cap that the City has in place should be lifted and allow the free market enterprise to self-correct itself with those that have the ability to complete out their projects to move forward and not be held back by those that have previously secured local permits but are failing to perform.

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Financial Impact: Unknown at this time.

Environmental Impact: None

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